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Governor Walker approves \$3.6 million for Bayview Bridge rehabilitation project in Sturgeon Bay

Bayview Bridge to close Tuesday, March 1. Detour set up through downtown.

(Door County) As part of his efforts to create jobs and make sure Wisconsin is open for business, Governor Scott Walker approved \$3.6 million to improve the Bayview Bridge in Sturgeon Bay, Door County. The bridge will close on Tuesday, March 1 to vehicle traffic and open by the 4th of July weekend. Traffic will be detoured through downtown Sturgeon Bay. A new website for this project can be found at: http://projects.511wi.gov/bayview/.

WIS 42/57 will also be closed from the Bayview Bridge to Egg Harbor Road for utility work in preparation for a highway reconstruction project in spring. Side roads on WIS 42/57 will remain open until the reconstruction. Zenith Tech, Inc. of Waukesha, Wis. is the prime contractor.

Rehabilitation to the Bayview Bridge includes:

- Replacing steel beams and the steel grid deck
- Replacing expansion joints and bearing
- Performing concrete repairs to girders, abutments, and parapet.
- Repairing and replacing machinery and electrical component
- Bridges over the exit ramp for northbound Green Bay Road, just east of County S, will receive concrete
 overlays and minor surface repairs.

The following detour will be in place for the duration of the Bayview Bridge project:

- Northbound non-truck traffic will be detoured via S. Madison Ave./Michigan St./N. 3rd Ave./Jefferson St./Egg harbor Rd./ Old Hwy Rd./ and a temporary Egg Harbor Road. connector to WIS 42/57. Reverse direction for southbound traffic.
- Truck detour will bypass the downtown area via Michigan Street and 14th Avenue.
- Detour will remain in place through the end of June with traffic on WIS 42/57 open prior to 4th of July weekend.
- Detour map can be found at http://projects.511wi.gov/bayview/

Expect heavy traffic through Sturgeon Bay while the Bayview Bridge is closed to vehicle traffic.

Water traffic through the canal will also be affected during bridge maintenance. Marine traffic will only be allowed under one half of the lift span and will be restricted in height because the lift spans will be closed and

locked in the down position during construction. The exact start date of the marine restrictions depends on Coast Guard approval, but will be before May 1 and finish by July 1.

The Bayview Bridge work will extend its useful life and improve its operating performance. The concrete overlays will provide for a better ride over the exit ramps and lengthen their useful lives.

The Bayview Bridge website and detour map can be found at http://projects.511wi.gov/bayview/

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